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AMEMBASSY KUWAIT

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SUBJECT: KUWAIT DELEGATION VISITS UPPER VOLTA

1. THREE-MAN DELEGATION HEADED BY ABDUL-LATEEF
AL-HAMAD, DIRECTOR-GENERAL KUWAIT FUND ARAB ECONOMIC
DEVELOPMENT (KDAED), MADE 24 HOUR VISIT TO OUAGADOUGOU
MARCH 11-12.

2. DURING STOP IN OUAGADOUGOU, DELEGATION MET WITH
VARIOUS VOLTAN MINISTERIES CONCERNED WITH DEVELOPMENT
AND DROUGHT RELIEF. ACCORDING TO FOREIGN MINISTRY
OFFICIALS, VOLTANS INTERESTED IN POSSIBILITY KUWAITI
FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR CONSTRUCTION 345 KM RAILROAD
TO LARGE MANGANESE DEPOSIT AT TAMBAO IN NORTH (SEE
OUAGA 207). ABITGER UTEN WAS POSSIBLE DIRECT KUWAITI
BUDGETARY SUPPORT TO MAKE UP FOR TAX REVENUES NOT
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COLLECTED BECAUSE OF DROUGHT.

3. AL-HAMAD TOLD EMBOFF KUWAITI GOVERNMENT WAS SERIOUSLY CONSIDERING ESTABLISHING ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE PROGRAM IN AFRICA. PURPOSE OF KFAED MISSION'S 14-DAY SWING THROUGH TEN WEST AFRICAN STATES WAS TO GATHER FACTS AND INFORMATION FOR PRESENTATION TO GOK. KFAED HAD PREVIOUSLY UNDERTAKEN SIMILAR SURVEY TRIP THROUGH EAST AFRICA. AL-HAMAD INDICATED THAT IF GOK DID DECIDE EXPAND KUWAIT'S AID PROGRAM TO AFRICA, THEN KFAED WOULD BE MAIN AID CHANNEL (AND NAME WOULD BE CHANGED TO SOMETHING LIKE "KUWAIT FUND").
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